

## COLORADO RIVER INDIAN TRIBES OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

March 23, 2020

On March 11, 2020 The World Health Organization officially declared a pandemic due to the COVID-19, on March 13, 2020 the United Stated declared a National Emergency and on March 13, 2020 the Colorado River Indian Tribes declared an emergency for the Reservation. On March 19, 2020 CRIT has passed a Resolution to require businesses within the Exterior Boundaries of the Reservation to take extra precautions during the Coronavirus outbreak.

The Resolution includes the following orders:

- 1) All restaurants within the Colorado River Indian Reservation to close their dining areas and allow take-out or delivery meals only.
- 2) All businesses and departments in which people gather to congregate, such as bars, BlueWater Resort and Casino, Blue Water Cinemas, gyms, all senior centers with the exception of non-congregant services, and outdoor venues of congregation shall be closed.
- 3) All retail stores within the exterior boundaries of the Reservation shall implement per customer limits on purchases to ensure essential products such as toilet paper, diapers, formula, and over the counter medications are available to as many members of the community as possible.
- 4) All departments that house individuals are hereby officially closed to visitation from the public until further notice to protect those that are currently in population, to include all detention facilities and the Children's Residential Center.
- 5) All personal private mass gatherings and large community events shall be postponed.
- 6) All community services, such as youth clubs and places of worship, should postpone large gatherings, with the exception of funerary rights as practiced by tribal membership.
- 7) No new business permits for roadside vendors and peddlers shall be issued.
- 8) All essential government services such as police, fire, and CHR will remain fully staffed and operational.

This order is to remain in effect until April 3, 2020.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Erica James, Public Information Officer @ (928) 669-1271.